Dinner expected to serve up final \$25,000 for Crawford Lake

I fund raising goal for Crawford Lake and a dinner and art auction on May is expected to provide that final financial boost.

The Royal Botanical Gardens in o Burlington will provide the setting Lake in rural Milton. for the Wednesday, May 9 fundraiser organized by the Halton Region Conservation Foundation.

A registered charitable organization, the foundation was established by the Halton Region Conservation

It will take \$25,000 to teach the Authority in 1975 to raise funds for the advancement of conservation in the Halton watershed. Since 1980 the volunteer directors have raised more than \$700,000 for the development of educational facilities at Crawford

> The property now has a conservation centre, reconstructed Indian Village and an extensive trail system including escarpment lookouts, interpretive stations and an elevated boardwalk surrounding the lake.

Since 1984, more than 200,000 people have visited the park and learned more about Ontario's Niagara Escarpment.

The conservation dinner, on May 9, will also have an educational component, renowned Canadian photographers Pat and Rosemary Keough, will give a sneak preview of their soon to be published book about the Niagara Escarpment. Included in the dinner's program will be an auction and raffle of a large selection of

quality Niagara Escarpment-Environment related items.

Ninalee Craig chairman of the foundation, explained that "The Dinner will not only complete the funding for Crawford Lake but will highlight the significance of protecting this important escarpment." Mrs. Craig also said, 'The dinner will be a fun evening as well as a great opportunity to pick up some quality art

The foundation is looking for contributions to the art and raffle program. Former Milton resident and wellknown international artist, Robert Bateman, has already donated two

artist's proof prints to the event including a frameable sketch print called "Chipmunk at Crawford Lake".

Any local bookstores, art galleries, framing shops or artists wishing to contribute to the dinner should contact the foundation soon.

The tickets are now available, and because of the enormous public support of the project in the past, they are expected to sell quickly. Tickets are \$40 per person and they can be purchased from the administration office of the Halton Region Conservation Authority, P.O. Box 1097, Station B, Burlington, Ontario, L7P 3S9. The phone number is (416) 336-1158.

Spring into some summer holiday plans

Although spring has just sprung, it's time to think about summer vacation plans.

Parents can register their children

Regional Authority.

now in the Ways of the Woods sum- ages 8-12 and it runs from July 2-

Special events listing available

Residents of Halton who face questions from visitors like, 'What is there to do in this Region?", or complaints like "I don't know what to do this week-end" need the help of the Region's tourism department.

ing of special events in Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville

that are distributed to hotels, tourist information centres tour operators.

The books are updated quarterly and contain the basic information on an event.

To have an event included contact Halton tourism has compiled a list- the tourism department (827-2151) and the information will be used as

update material.

mer day camp sponsored by the Hal- August 24. Participants can choose Conservation one or two week sessions that can include swimming, caving, Indian This day camp is open to children crafts, songs and dance, archaeology, or exploring the natural world of insects, owls, mammals, ponds and

> Participants will camp overnight at Crawford Lake on the first Thursday of a two-week session.

> The cost for this full week is \$75; a second child is \$70 per week. Registration forms are available from Milton Public Library and Milton Chamber of Commerce.

> Further information on this camp is available from Halton Region Conservation Authority (336-1158) or Mountsberg Wildlife Centre (854-2274).

Fund-raising dance will KEEP you entertained

Members of Keep the Escarpment Environment Protected (KEEP) invites anyone interested in preserving the environment to attend a fund-raising dance Friday, Apr. 27 at the Optimist Centre.

The Bud Sample Band (formerly Gerry Arpa and the Flashbacks), will be playing a combination of golden oldies and rock and roll music.

There will be prizes at the dance including a draw for a rare Robert Bateman lithograph. Proceeds will help KEEP's fight against Milton Limestone quarry expansion on the Niagara Escarpment.

Tickets are \$10 per person and are available by calling Gord 854-2153 or Marion 878-7397. Dancing starts at 8 p.m.

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